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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): N. WATANABE, et al

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For: NETWORK-ATTACHED DISK UNIT WITH DATA PROTECTION FUNCTION
AND SERVER PROTECTING DATA STORED IN NETWORK-ATTACHED
DISK DEVICE

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the first month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding final Office Action dated December 19, 2002. A Credit Card Payment Form authorizing the amount of \$110.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 501.38590X00).

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